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KARL-FRIEDRICH MUCK ET AL : PATENT NO. 5,994,455

SERIAL NO. 09/149,795 : ISSUED: NOVEMBER 30, 1999

FILED: SEPTEMBER 8, 1998 :

FOR: PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION :
OF THERMALLY STABLE
POLYOXYMETHYLENE :
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REISSUE PETITION, DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

Sir:

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

- My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.
- I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of subject matter which is described claimed in the above identified United States Patent, and for which a reissue patent is here sought, the specification of which is attached hereto.
- I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment presented in the above specification.
- I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

- I hereby request that I may be allowed to surrender and do hereby assent to surrender the above-identified Patent and request that the Patent may be reissued.
- I verily believe that the above identified original Patent may be partly inoperative for the reasons that the patentees claimed less than they had a right to claim in the Patent to wit the subject matter of reissue claim 1.
- All errors corrected in this reissue application arose without any deceptive intention on my part.
- I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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In the matter of the above-identified application, please recognize Rudolf E. Hutz, Reg. No. 22,397; John D. Fairchild, Reg. No. 18,758; Harold Pezzner, Reg. No. 22,112; Richard M. Beck, Reg. No. 22,580; Paul E. Crawford, Reg. No. 24,397; Patricia Smink Rogowski, Reg. No. 33,791; Robert G. McMorrow, Jr., Reg. No. 30,962; Ashley I. Pezzner, Reg. No. 35,846; William E. McShane, Reg. No. 32,707; Mary W. Bourke, Reg. No. 30,982; Gerard M. O'Rourke, Reg. No. 39,794; James M. Olsen, Reg. No. 40,408; Francis DiGiovanni, Reg. No. 37,310; Eric J. Evain, Reg. No. 42,517; Daniel C. Muveny, Reg. No. 45,897; Christine M. Hansen, Reg. No. 40,634; Patrick H. Higgins 39,709 and Elliot C. Mendelson (Agent), Reg. No. 42,878, all of P.O. Box 2207, Wilmington, Delaware 19899-2207 as attorneys with full power of substitution to prosecute this application and conduct all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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ASSENT OF ASSIGNEE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.173(a)

Sir:

1. Pursuant to 37 CFR § 3.73, I certify that the below-named Assignee is the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in the above-identified original patent, by virtue of the assignment of rights from the inventor as set forth below.

2. I have reviewed the assignment and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the Assignee retains title to the above-identified original patent.

3. I am authorized to act on behalf of the below-identified Assignee.

4. The Assignee hereby assents to the accompanying application to reissue the above-identified patent.

5. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Name of Assignee: TICONA GmbH
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My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s)**Priority Claimed**

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112. I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application

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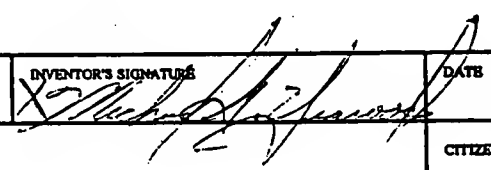
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For valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which is hereby acknowledged, we

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hereby sell, assign and transfer unto TICONA GmbH, a corporation organized under the laws of Germany, located at D65451 Kelsterbach, Germany, the entire right, title and interest in and to their application for United States Letters Patent Serial No. 09/149,795, filed September 8, 1998, herewith entitled **PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF THERMALLY STABLE POLYOXYMETHYLENE COPOLYMERS (98G 018)** including all priority rights arising in other countries from said application and the entire right, title and interest in and to all inventions disclosed in said application for Letters Patent, and in and to all applications filed for Letters Patent for any of said inventions in any country, and in and to all patents granted on the foregoing applications, and hereby agree whenever requested to communicate to said assignee, its successors and assigns, any facts known to them respecting said inventions, to testify in any legal proceeding, and to execute all

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SERIAL NO. 09/149,795

FILED: SEPTEMBER 8, 1998

FOR: PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF THERMALLY
STABLE POLYOXYMETHYLENE COPOLYMERS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to the Notice dated September 23, 1998, a copy of which is attached,
enclosed herewith is an executed declaration identifying the above-identified application
by serial number and filing date.

Also included is the required surcharge of \$130.00.

A copy of the priority document is also enclosed.

These filings should complete the application filing process.

Respectfully submitted,

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ASSIGNMENT STATUS REQUEST

The undersigned counsel has been advised by the Assignment Division that no record exists with respect to an Assignment by the applicants to Ticona GmbH in the subject application. Since an Assignment document was submitted for recordation, a search for the originally submitted Assignment is requested, or in the alternative, it is requested that the enclosed copy of the Assignment be submitted for recordation and recorded.

On December 2, 1998, applicants filed the following papers by first class mail addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, copies of which are enclosed.

1. A response to the Notice of Missing Parts dated September 23, 1998 comprising an executed Declaration and the surcharge of \$130.00;

2. A Recordation Form Cover Sheet with a recording fee of \$40.00;

3. An Assignment; and

4. A petition for an extension of time with the required fee of \$110.00.

All of these papers were received at the Patent and Trademark Office on December 7, 1998, as evidenced by the return receipt postcard, a copy of which is enclosed.

One possibility may be that the original Assignment document remains in the file along with the other papers submitted on the same date.

In summary, if the original Assignment cannot be located, it is requested that the enclosed copy of the Assignment be recorded.

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